

United States Department of the Interior

NATIONAL PARK SERVICE

Santa Monica Mountains National Recreation Area 401 West Hillcrest Drive Thousand Oaks, California 91360

PUBLIC NOTICE – RESTRICTED USE DUE TO FIRE DANGER ON NATIONAL PARK SERVICE PROPERTY

Smoking is prohibited on all properties managed by the National Park Service within the National Recreation Area except in paved or gravel parking lots. All campfires are prohibited. Exceptions may be granted under a Special Park Use permit. All non-propane grilling fires (including charcoal) are prohibited on declared Red Flag Warning days. These restrictions are required to provide for public safety and protect sensitive natural and cultural resources during extreme wildland fire conditions. They will remain in effect until state or local fire officials declare the 2007 fire season to be over.

By order of the Superintendent of Santa Monica Mountains National Recreation Area (SMMNRA) and in accordance with regulations and the delegated authority provided in Title 36, Code of Federal Regulations, Chapter 1, Parts 1-7, authorized by Title 16 United States Code, Section 3, the preceding restrictions are established for the proper management, protection, and public use of those portions of SMMNRA under the jurisdiction of the National Park Service. The applicable regulatory text from Title 36 follows:

36 CFR §2.13 Fires.

(c) During periods of high fire danger, the superintendent may close all or a portion of a park area to the lighting or maintaining of a fire.

36 CFR § 2.21 Smoking.

(a) The superintendent may designate a portion of a park area, or all or a portion of a building, structure or facility as closed to smoking when necessary to protect park resources, reduce the risk of fire, or prevent conflicts among visitor use activities. Smoking in an area or location so designated is prohibited.

For more information regarding these restrictions, please call 805-370-2301 or visit the park website at http://www.nps.gov/samo/parkhomeclosuresrestrictions.htm. Public cooperation and compliance is greatly appreciated.

Woody Smeck Superintendent

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